
PROCEEDINGS OF BROWN COUNTY SOLID WASTE BOARD

A regular meeting was held on **February 15, 2010**, 1:30 p.m., at the Brown County Materials Recycling Facility, 2561 S. Broadway, Green Bay, WI.

1. Call to Order – meeting was called to order by Chair Strenski 1:30pm.
2. Roll Call
 - Present: Mike Strenski, Chair
Jim Rasmussen, Vice-Chair
Chuck Rhyner
Norb Dantine
Mike Fleck
Bud Harris
John Katers
Dawn Goodman
 - Excused: Allison Swanson
 - Also Present: Charles Larscheid, Brown County Port & Solid Waste Dept.
Chad Doverspike, Brown County Port & Solid Waste Dept.
Wess Damro, Brown County Port & Solid Waste Dept.
Chris Anderson, Foth
3. Approval/Modification – Meeting Agenda

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Norb Dantine and seconded by Mike Fleck. Unanimously approved.
4. Approval/Modification – Meeting Minutes January 18, 2010

A motion to approve the January 18, 2010 minutes as amended was made by Norb Dantine and seconded by Jim Rasmussen (Mike Strenski declined serving on the Negotiating Committee for the OSGC as indicted in Agenda Item #7). Unanimously approved.
5. Port & Solid Waste Consulting Services Project #1387 RFP – Request for Approval

Staff distributed information on the 7 engineering firms that responded to the RFP for P&SW consulting services. This contract is a 3-year retainer with two 1-year extensions. The current contract with Foth ends in February 2010. Although put out as one contract in previous years, staff put out the environmental monitoring as a separate contract. Annually P&SW incurs approximately \$70,000 to \$100,000 in consulting fees. A scoring committee made up of Mike Strenski, Chad Doverspike, Chuck Larscheid. The Brown County Purchasing Department worked on the cost part of the RFP. Foth scored the highest with an 8.65 points out of a possible 10 points. The scoring categories were based on: experience, organization, qualifications, cost, scope of services and references. Each committee member scored each firm individually and then as a group came to a consensus. If approved by SWB, PD&T and the County Board the new contract would take effect in mid-April. **A motion to approve the committee’s recommendation was made by Mike Fleck and seconded by Norb Dantine.** Unanimously approved.

6. Port & Solid Waste Environmental Monitoring Project #1397 Quote – Update

As noted above, environmental monitoring has been put out separately from consulting services. This time the sampling, the environmental monitoring, analytical and reporting services were put out as a quote rather than included in the rfp. A handout of the results was distributed. Because it is a quote, the lowest qualified responder must be chosen. Therefore, MSA out of Baraboo, Wisconsin, was awarded the contract for three years with possible two 1-year extensions. MSA quoted \$48,420 annually. Currently Foth is performing this work for Brown County and an annual cost of approximately \$55,000. Staff believes MSA is qualified and certified to perform these services. The contract is for monitoring at all Brown County sites including BayPort CDF. No further approval is needed and the contract will take effect March 1, 2010.

7. Director's Report

- *Greenhouse Gas Monitoring Report Requirements*

EPA requirements have been mandated on all solid waste disposal facilities effective March 31, 2010. Currently Brown County is in compliance with the new rules. Flow meters with data loggers already provide continuous monitoring as well as the gas chromatograph at the East Landfill provides continuous monitoring of the methane. The only other item needed to meet EPA requirements is to connect a moisture contact at both landfills for approximately \$1300 for each. Reporting is required annually based on information taken monthly but as an annual total.

- *Oneida 7 Gen Waste Project*

PD&T approved the the Solid Waste Board's request for P&SW staff to negotiate with Oneida. County Board approval is still needed but staff does not anticipate any problems with getting that approval. The internal working group of Mike Fleck and John Katers Chad Doverspike Bernie Erickson and Chuck Larscheid met with the Oneida Group and indicated that once approval is received, staff would like information available such as a feasibility study, financial performance, etc. There is general acceptance from Winnebago County and Outagamie County regarding Brown County's talks with Oneida on this project and how it affects the Tri-County Agreement. Information on another waste-to-energy project in the Milwaukee area was included in the agenda packet. Feedback from individuals already involved in waste-to-energy seems to indicate that the project is not as competitive with landfilling and relies on government support. Discussion ensued.

- *March Recycling Rebate*

The base rebate rate for our partner communities for single stream in January and February 2010 was at \$25 per ton; however the rate for March 2010 went up to \$45 per ton. Currently the markets are solid. Brown County anticipates reimbursement of \$284,000 (2/3rd reimbursement of fees paid and 1/3rd additional revenue) from the Tri-County single stream facility's first year of operation.

- *Vande Hei Farm Sale*

Staff has received approval to sell the Vande Hei property and Brown County Purchasing has researched the proper procedure for the sale. An appraisal of the property is being completed and staff is hopeful a sale can be completed by May 1, 2010. Staff noted that if the property is not sold by May 1, that perhaps the sale should be put on hold until fall in order to rent out the land for additional income and not interfere with the growing season.

8. Such Other Matters as Authorized by Law

- A tour of the former NEW Curative office and recycling area was given to the Solid Waste Board.
- The Board asked staff to comment on the status of the engines at the Gas-to-Energy facility. Staff indicated the engines are currently running at 74% every day, however, January revenue was down because of relay switch issues.
- Chris Anderson from Foth said he likes working with Brown County and thanked the RFP Scoring Committee and the Solid Waste Board for the recommendation.

9. Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by Norb Dantine and seconded by Mike Fleck. Unanimously approved.

Mike Strenski, Chair
Solid Waste Board

Charles Larscheid, Director
Port & Solid Waste Department